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From: Amy Nye [mailto:ANye@latwp.org]
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**Comments and Objections to Proposed Chapter 10 Legislation** 

10-8 Emergency and nonemergency response

## Requirement

Prepare current Teacher/Employee Roster (4) and provide current Student Roster (5)
No Later than September 30 of each school year for distribution at Incident Command Post.

## **Objection**

A student and staff roster provided no later than September 30 will have minimal value, as information regarding student and staff is constantly changing. Information provided on or before September 30 will be quickly become inaccurate because of transient nature of school students. Providing inaccurate information to emergency first responders tasked with protecting staff and students, may place these individuals in life threatening situations.

Example Student A's name is identified on the September roster, an emergency occurs on November 5, requiring evacuation of the school due to a fire. Fire Officials on the scene are unable to verify that Student A is present, safe and accounted for, based on the Sept 30 roster, and begin a search and rescue operation within the school. It is later determined that Student A withdrew from this school on October 20<sup>th</sup>. The use of this inaccurate information has placed and threatened the life safety of fire department personnel conducting an unnecessary search.

The exact opposite of this example may occur, when a new student (enrolled after October 1) does not appear on the roster provided, is not recognized as unaccounted for, and no search and rescue is initiated.

It is respectfully requested that these regulations be re-evaluated for appropriate, and meaningful actions prior to final approval. The current language, while well intended, results in the potential for placing the life, health and safety of school students, staff, and first responders in peril.

Respectfully Submitted

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